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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady, instances firm. Light sales took place in the East and West on frozen hens and toms. Fresh hens and toms sold in the Midwest at 97 cents for November. Demand was light to moderate. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow to moderate. Offerings were short to adequate and held with confidence.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS:

Light trading centered on mechanically separated turkey, thigh meat and tom drums, balance slow. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies are mixed.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 4, 2005**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-74	-	-	-	81.00	25	OCT	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 5, 2005**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-78	76-78	77.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-75	72-73	72.60	50	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	72	72.00	32	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF AUGUST 5, 2005
SAME WEEK

CURRENT LAST

WEEK WEEK YEAR AGO

8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	77.00	76.31	72.41
CENTRAL REGION	73.50**	73.22	72.80**
WESTERN REGION	72.23	73.00	72.50**
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	72.50**	72.20**	72.00
CENTRAL REGION	72.70**	74.75	71.50**
WESTERN REGION	72.00	73.00	71.50**

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	72-82
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	72-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	72-80

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	116-129

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS

(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of Aug 08, 2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
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PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	79.38	252,000
16-24 lbs.	78.50	20,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	20,000
16-24 lbs.	--	10,000

Total Volume:	302,000
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TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 30-Jul-2005 (Preliminary)

YOUNG TURKEYS				TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG			AVG
		CHG	LIVE	OLD		LIVE
-THOUSAND HEAD-		PW	WT	BANDED	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT
North East	731	2	23.63	(A)	733	23.63
South Atlantic	692	1	30.30	(A)	694	30.30
North Central	2,210	-2	30.34	(A)	2,212	30.34
South Central	740	10	18.31	(A)	741	18.31
West	357	0	25.86	(A)	358	25.86
U.S. total	4,730(B)	1	27.09	8	4,738	27.09
To-date						
2005	128,397(B)			113	128,510	
To-date						
2004	129,027(B)			200	129,227	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 34,000; for the current year to date 716,000; for last year to date 1,440,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

June	472,238*
July 1 - 30, 2005	416,276*

To date 2005	2,964,494*
To date 2004	2,918,771*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG OLD</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>Thousands</u>				
W/E 30-Jul-2005					
Head	2,036	2,660	34	8	4738
Avg Wt	16.13	35.49	24.43	32.11	27.09
Last week	1,989	2,679	30	16	4714
Same wk yr ago	1,901	2,672	83	4	4660
Avg Wt	15.82	35.90	23.88	33.53	27.49
To-date/2005	51,139	76,542	716	113	128510
To-date/2004	51,822	75,765	1,440	200	129227

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 4 AUGUST 2005.

The market tone was steady to firm on tom breast meat, destrapped tenders and breast trim, steady on fresh wing meat, weak on frozen wing meat. Supplies of breast meat were in close balance, fresh destrapped tenders and breast trim were tight, fresh wing meat was adequate, frozen wing meat was fully adequate. Demand ranged moderate to good for most white meat items, frozen wing meat demand was light. Frozen mechanically separated turkey under 90 days age traded at 23 cents delivered. Plant grade nonbasted bone in breast 18 lb and up were 155, 4-8 lb A Grade breasts for September shipment were 112. Export activity was fair with spot loads of hen wings at 28 port, tom defatted gizzards 49 FOB and fresh thigh meat at open prices.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	108.88	320
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	49.50		49.50	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		M	52.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	42.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00-35.00		34.33	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	35.00		35.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.00-30.00		29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	95.00		95.00	20
NECKS, TOM		T	40.00	73
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	175.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		W	199.00	80
THIGH MEAT	88.00		88.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	87.79	66
BREAST TRIM MEAT	155.00		155.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		M	91.00	10
TENDERLOINS		W	164.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	163.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		W	177.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	59.00-61.00		60.33	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	25.00		25.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	26.00		26.00	160
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.00-49.50		49.17	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	32.00		32.00	104
TAILS	31.00		31.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	26.00	54
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	85.00	40

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 5 AUGUST 2005.

The market tone on tom drums, necks and full-cut wings was steady to barely steady, and tom 2-joint wings steady to instances firm. Demand light on tom drums, necks, and tom full-cut wings; light to moderate on tom 2-joint wings with buyer resistance noted at current market levels. Offerings of tom drums and full-cut wings adequate to fully adequate with lower trending offering prices being noted, tom necks adequate and becoming increasingly more available, tom 2-joint wings extremely light to light and held with confidence. Trading slow to moderate centering on fresh tom breast meat and fresh -20% mechanically separated turkey for domestic shipments. For domestic: mature hen drums 40, fresh scapula 105, Grade A non-basted rib breasts - 12-14 lb. 155, 14-16 lb. 160, 16-20 lb. 165, plant grade non-basted 18-20 lb. breasts 155 cents delivered. For export: fresh thigh meat 87 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	108.88	320		
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	154.00	20	149.90	41
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	100.00		100.00	40	100.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	49.00-50.00		49.50	80	48.71	295
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		M	52.00	40	52.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	42.00	40		
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	31.00-32.00		31.50	80	33.89	323
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	35.00	40	34.50	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	29.00	40	29.76	168
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	95.00	20	95.00	20
NECKS, TOM		T	40.00	73	40.00	73
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	178.00		178.00	40	176.00	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	196.00-200.00		197.43	280	197.60	400
THIGH MEAT	88.00		88.00	40	86.82	224
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	87.00		87.00	40	87.49	106
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	155.00	40	154.40	200
SCAPULA MEAT	91.00		91.00	10	91.00	20
TENDERLOINS	150.50		150.50	60	152.40	90
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	163.00	120	163.00	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	60.33	120	60.33	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	174.00-179.00		177.74	115	176.67	179
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	26.00		26.00	40	25.33	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	27.00		27.00	280	27.04	676
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.00		49.00	40	49.44	252
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	32.00	104	32.00	104
TAILS		R	31.00	40	31.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	26.00		26.00	80	26.00	134
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	88.00		88.00	40	86.50	80

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